



FIRST NATION



First on the Prairies: forestry stumpage, forest management industrial scale equity

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MINEGOZIIBE ANISHINABE



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Background on Minegoziibe Anishinaabe





Legal Action



Press conference of Minegoziibe Anishinaabe about the filing of our lawsuit held on January 25, 2022





A step in the right direction and partial victory

The agreement states that:

1. Manitoba will share with the First Nations a portion of its timber dues revenue.
2. Manitoba will consult with the First Nations before signing a new timber allocation agreement with LP.
3. The First Nations will be provided funding by Manitoba and LP to hire qualified independent scientific and traditional knowledge experts to review the impacts of LP's commercial timber harvesting.
4. Manitoba will wherever possible integrate aspects of the studies into the determination and implementation of the Forest Management Plan.
5. Manitoba and LP will provide funding to the First Nations to cover its administrative costs incurred to-date.



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Conclusion / reflections

1. Leverage of Western legal system
2. Collaboration between First Nations
3. Two-pronged approach for moving forward



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